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**In the Claims:**

1. (Currently Amended) An abrasive pad comprising:  
an abrasive surface; and  
an elastomer or sponge material backing the abrasive surface and having  
an end remote from the abrasive surface;  
wherein ~~the elastomer or sponge material is formed with two slits are~~  
~~formed in the elastomer or sponge material backing the abrasive surface, said formed slits~~  
starting at edges of the spongy material and oriented substantially parallel to the abrasive  
surface near the remote end of the spongy material, such that flaps formed by the slits can  
be folded back to form a finger hold.
2. (Original) An abrasive pad according to claim 1 wherein the elastomer or  
sponge material is a sponge material.
3. (Previously Presented) An abrasive pad according to claim 1 and further  
comprising a separate ring of elastomer or sponge material surrounding the backing  
material to reduce contact between the edge of the abrasive surface and a surface being  
abraded.
4. (Original) An abrasive pad according to claim 3 wherein the elastomer or  
sponge material of the ring is a sponge material.
5. (Previously Presented) An abrasive pad according to claim 3, wherein the  
ring is of a same material as the backing.
6. (Original) A pad according to claim 1, wherein the pad is shaped as a  
cylinder.

7-13. (Cancelled)